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## Campaign to save flood pumps launched

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## Digging in to find medieval site

MEMBERS of a historical trust have begun an archaeological survey in an attempt to find a possible site for the medieval De Lathom House, following the clearing of an invasive plant.

Peter Kenyon, chairman of Lathom Park Trust, said: "Following the clearance of invasive rhododendron in Spa Roughs woodland recently, members of Lathom Park Trust have commenced an archaeological survey in an attempt to locate the De Lathom House which stood from between 1250 and 1485.

"This would have been a wooden, moated structure, which according to legend, Sir Thomas Stanley found burned down upon his return from the Battle of Bosworth Field.

"At the time, he was married to Lady Margaret Beaufort, the mother of Henry Tudor (Henry VII).

"The survey, which is ongoing, is being led by Dr Jamie Quartermaine, a trustee from Oxford Archeology North, with the help of volunteers.

"The results will be known later this summer."

Llandowner Karl Walker with survey leader Dr Jamie Quartermaine and Lathom Park Trust member Jeff Ratcliffe

# BOWLING GREEN BATTLE BREWING

## Trundlers face being turfed out after 82 years playing at village venue

by Danielle Thompson

**MEMBERS of a bowling club which has been run from the grounds of a village pub for more than 80 years have been left devastated after being served with an eviction notice.**

The Halton Castle Bowling Club has been based in the grounds of the Halton Castle Inn in Westhead since 1934.

Members have spent thousands of pounds maintaining the green and on flagging and fences, as well as installing a club shelter and equipment shed. The work was carried out, they say, after word-of-mouth agreements with the pub's management since the 1980s.

However, a month before owners Marstons Brewery put the leasehold up for sale in January, club members told The Champion that they were faced with a bleak choice between signing what they descrirbed as 'a very restrictive tenancy agreement' or facing eviction.

They refused to sign the agreement and were served an eviction notice. They have been instructed to leave their home of 82 years by the end of this month.

Club secretary, Eric Barklem, told The Champion: "We have spent a lot of money on the upkeep of the site and we do not want to leave. We were offered a hugely restricted tenancy in December. This stated that the club or pub could terminate the agreement at any time but was hugely weighted in their favour as we want to stay.

"It also said that if a planning application was made, club members were not allowed to comment on it or oppose it.

### SUPPORT

"We refused to sign it and the pub went up for sale in January. At the start of March we were asked to leave and just two weeks later we got the eviction notice.

"We have such a long history here and have put so much time into the green. We have two teams, which play on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and both our team and the opposition always stay for a drink afterwards.

Halton Castle Bowling Club secretary Eric Barklem in front of the club shelter

"We also support the pub with club quizzes, social events and presentation evenings.

"We have always been very trusting that our word-of-mouth agreements were honourable and we have never been approached by the brewery since they took over the pub in 2005 – until they wanted to sell it."

A spokesperson for Marstons Brewery said: "We are currently in discussions with the bowling club."

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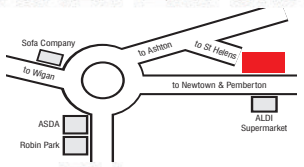


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# Arriva takes over region's rail franchise

Report by **Henry James**

**ARRIVA has taken over the Northern rail franchise - which includes the Manchester to Southport line through West Lancashire - with a promise of new trains, increased peak-time capacity and revamped ticketing.**

The network currently provides more than 16,000 weekly train services to a population of 15 million people. By 2019, Arriva claims it will increase weekly services to more than 18,000 while also pledging to replace the ageing and unpopular Pacer trains through a "multi-million pound rolling stock investment programme".

The new franchise will also see 5,000 employees joining Arriva.

Union officials, though, claim it will mean worse services, fewer jobs and poorer passenger safety and point to figures revealed in a recent parliamentary question showing that state funding for the Northern rail franchise over the next decade is set to fall by more than 85%, a drop of £236 million in real terms.

However, Arriva insists the region will see improvements to trains and the network as a result of the new franchise. The company says it aims to "transform" rail travel in the North of England and inject a total of £1bn over the next nine-years.

Plans include new and refurbished trains with the introduction of 281 new carriages and the removal of all Pacers within three years. All trains will have free WiFi by 2019.

There is also a promise of more services and faster journeys giving passengers 'greater' choice. And beginning in December 2017, new timetables will also provide 100 new through journey opportunities across Leeds, Manchester, Newcastle, Sheffield and other regional hubs.

The company has also pledged to run more and longer trains with a 37 per cent increase in peak-time capacity within the next three years.

**Chris Burchell, MD of Arriva UK Trains, with a visualisation of a new-look Northern train**

Arriva is also committed to station improvements giving customers easier access to information and providing new seating and waiting areas. Video help points will be introduced at 447 stations and customer information screens at more than 160 new locations; while 45 currently unstaffed stations will be staffed and there will be extended opening hours at 54 locations.

Chris Burchell, managing director of Arriva's UK Trains division, said: "Passengers can expect to see improvements to both trains and the network. Brand new 100mph trains will operate across the network by 2019, including on the routes from Liverpool to Bradford, Manchester, Manchester Airport and Leeds. Liverpool commuters will also benefit from a six per cent increase in peak-time capacity by 2019."

Alex Hynes, managing director of Northern, commented: "We can now begin to deliver our plans for the exciting next phase of Northern and each and every one of the team is focussed and determined to deliver for customers."

But TUC general secretary, Frances O'Grady, said: "So much for the Northern powerhouse. Drastic cuts to rail services can only mean increased fares, worse services, or job losses. The government needs to invest in a publicly-owned railway we can be proud of."


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# Politicians hear fears over future of borough health services during Ormskirk Hospital visit

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

**LABOUR'S shadow health secretary, Heidi Alexander joined local MP Rosie Cooper on a tour of Ormskirk Hospital during a visit to the borough when the future of NHS services in West Lancashire came under discussion.**

The MPs discussed the recent moves by West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to put local healthcare services out to tender.

And they listened to staff and patients who raised concerns about how this will impact the delivery of services.

Two private health companies, Optum Healthcare and Virgin Care Services, are the only providers invited to continue negotiations to take over urgent care services in West Lancashire, which includes GP out-of-hours services , walk-in centres in Ormskirk and Skelmersdale, and the Acute Visiting Service.

The two companies have also been shortlisted to provide community health services while local NHS provision by Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust will be ended.

Rosie Cooper said: "I am really pleased to have been able to show Heidi Alexander the situation that is unfolding here in West Lancashire.

"Clearly staff and users have the same concerns that we do. Taking away services from the local hospital, where the new interim team have been working hard to deliver change and improve services, will be a real blow.

"There needs to be comprehensive scrutiny of these decisions if the CCG is going to be handing out our NHS services like sweeties to the private sector - decisions on services which will have long-term consequences for the future of West Lancashire's NHS services I fear."

**West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper with shadow health secretary Heidi Alexander (centre)and the hospital trust's interim chief executive, Ann Marr, during their tour of Ormskirk Hospital.**

Heidi Alexander added: "My visit to Ormskirk Hospital really underlined some of the very significant pressures the NHS is currently facing.

"It is clear there are deep concerns about the decision to outsource urgent care services to a private company.

" I met patients worried about the quality of care that will be delivered and I met staff fearful for their jobs. It's no way to run the NHS.

"I don't believe forcing services out to tender is in the best interests of patients."

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# Farmers vote in favour of pump station local 'drainage board'

Over 95% of local land owners approve plan which they believe will save parts of West Lancashire from flooding...

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

MORE than 95% of farmers and landowners have voted in favour of creating a local public authority to help manage water drainage when five pumps are axed in the Alt Crossens area next year.

The Environment Agency will cease to fund and maintain the pumping stations at Rufford Causeway, Clay Brow, Banks Marsh, Kew, and Boundary Brook from 2017 – raising fears that unless an alternative funding solution is found, they will be turned off, potentially creating devastating consequences across West Lancashire and parts of Sefton with increased flooding to homes and businesses as well as the impact on agricultural land.

### Voting

More than 95% of farmers and landowners within the Alt Crossens catchment area in West Lancashire voted in favour of investigating the creation of an Internal Drainage Board at a recent meeting. An IDB is a local public authority established in areas of special drainage need in England and Wales, which have powers to manage water levels within their drainage districts.

NFU environment and land use adviser Alice Richards said: "Now that we have the support from the agricultural community, the next step is to identify what area the IDB should cover and the level of work it should carry out.

### Next steps

"From this we will then be able to calculate how much it would cost to run, and therefore how much the farmers would pay through the drainage rate and how much the local authorities would contribute through the special levy.

"This is quite a long process and could take some time.

"Once we have all this information we will then go back out to consultation, not just to the farmers, but to the wider community as well.

"Everyone will get the chance to comment on the boundary, level of work, and costs."

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# Hospital children's specialist shortlisted for national award

## Doctor recognised for work with diabetic youngters

Report by **Henry James**

**A CHILDREN'S specialist based at Ormskirk Hospital has been shortlisted for a top national award for her work with youngsters with diabetes.**

May Ng is a consultant paediatrician endocrinologist at the hospital in Wigan Road and is also clinical director of paediatrics and child health.

As well as her work on diabetes, she has also made a massive contribution in the research, training and education of doctors and medical students.

Ms Ng has been shortlisted in the prestigious Asian Women of Achievement Awards which celebrates the most extraordinary Asian women in the UK.

Having worked in the NHS for more than 20 years, she already has several awards to her name and holds multiple national roles which embody her passion to improve care for children with diabetes.

Doctor May Ng

### Huge contribution

She has also developed policy in relation to the condition and works with children and families affected by diabetes across north Merseyside and West Lancashire on a daily basis.

The Asian Women of Achievement Awards started in 1999 to celebrate the often unsung Asian heroines of British life. Such women make a huge contribution in fields as diverse as business, entrepreneurship and social and humanitarian work.

Pinky Lilani, OBE DL, founder of the awards said: "We were thrilled this year to receive such a broad range of applications from across the UK. We are proud to provide a platform to celebrate the talent and positive impact of British-Asian women in the community."

The awards evening takes place in London on Thursday, May 12.

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# Building society's helping hand for charity

A CHARITY which provides sporting activities for adults with learning difficulties in West Lancashire has been given a £150 donation by a building society.

Sporting Challenge is made up of parents and carers who have been providing sporting activities for around 30 people with learning difficulties in the borough since 2008.

They organise evening and weekend activities, including ten-pin bowling, aerobics, swimming, archery, Wii nights, boccia, kurling, and dance sessions. The classes are a great way for their service users to have fun, make friends and lead an active lifestyle. And they also provide some respite care for their families and carers.

The donation, from the Furness Building Society's Furness 150 Community Giveaway, to celebrate the society's 150 years, will help Sporting Challenge to buy new Wii equipment and games.

Members of Sporting Edge with the letter confirming the £150 donation

John Haggart, chairman and trustee of the charity, said: "We are delighted with this donation and will ask our members for ideas about which games to purchase."

# College merger could affect borough students

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

KING George V College in Southport, which draws pupils from throughout West Lancashire, could merge with Litherland's South Sefton College or Bootle's Hugh Baird College as part of a government review of education.

The National Area Review is ongoing and aims to assess all 16-19 sixth-forms and colleges across the country in a bid to create "fewer, often larger institutions."

The Liverpool City Region review is currently taking place and it is believed that one of the options for Sefton is a possible merger of two organisations.

A spokesperson for Hugh Baird College said: "The organisations of Hugh Baird College, Southport College, King George V College and South Sefton College are considering options as part of the National Area Review of post-16 education. No decisions have yet been made by the governing bodies of each organisation."

Last year, government ministers announced 'area-based reviews' of all 16-19 sixth-forms and colleges in England to be completed by March 2017.

Sefton Councillor Tony Dawson believes a merger between King George V College and Hugh Baird College "might well be an option" but other considerations must be made.

He said: "The principal problem right now is funding. There are nowhere near enough students enrolled. So, the numbers just do not add up.

""KGV has a proud history both as a school and as a sixth-form college. But it is unfortunately now totally unanswerable to the people who matter - the parents of the children attending primary and secondary schools. Due to government meddling, the college has no kind of accountability to these parents' elected representatives either.

"Merger with Hugh Baird might well be an option but it is surely not the only option or the obvious option. Parents and teachers, particularly head teachers, need to be involved in consultations and discussions about the best way forward.

"It must be recognised that the positioning of KGV makes it a natural option for hundreds of students from West Lancashire as well as Southport and Formby."

A spokesperson for King George V College said: "The college is co-operating fully with the review process and will give serious consideration to recommendations that emerge.

"At this stage, a number of options are available. Our key priority is to safeguard the quality of post-16 education in Sefton and any proposals will be subject to full public consultation."

# *West Lancs Light Railway launches new 'Friendly Engines Day'*

A NEW annual 'Friendly Engines Day' will be launched at the West Lancashire Light Railway on Sunday, April. 10

Three steam trains will be running from 11.30am to 4.30pm at the event at the railway on Station Road, Hesketh Bank.

Philip Pacey from the West Lancs Light Railway, said: "The Friendly Engines Day is our new annual treat for families with young children. Three locomotives will be in steam.

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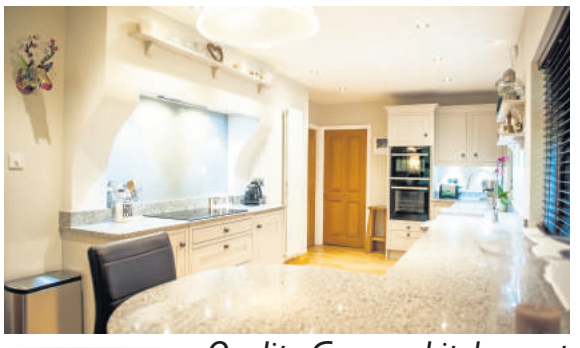

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# MP says hospital A&E is at 'breaking point'

## Easter waiting time figures reveal Southport site was one of worst-performing in North West

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

SOUTHPORT Hospital, which handles accident and emergency cases for West Lancashire, is at "breaking point" according to the town's MP, John Pugh.

Mr Pugh said that A&E waiting times at the Town Lane hospital over Easter made for grim reading.

In an exclusive interview with The Champion, Mr Pugh revealed that 20 ambulances were 'stacked up' at the hospital on one day last week.

Figures for waiting times at hospitals across the North West during the Easter bank holiday revealed that the resort hospital was one of the worst-performing A&E sites in the region.

The North West Ambulance service said that the average turnaround time at Southport Hospital was two-and-a-half hours – in one instance an ambulance was forced to wait more than six hours with a patient.

Mr Pugh is now warning that the resort's health services are at breaking point and that a crisis meeting needs to be held to get a grip on what he labelled a crazy and dysfunctional system.

He said: "Good, caring, hard-working and intelligent people in our local NHS are frustrated in their efforts by the lack of overall control.

"Matters reached a peak last week with a confirmed 20 ambulances backed up at Southport - their ambulance waiting statistics are by far the worst in the North West.

"This is a system failure but no-one and no organisation wants it or causes it to happen.

"We have a rising admission rate of elderly patients because of cuts in home care and historically high numbers of elderly residents.

**An ambulance outside Southport Hospital A& E. According to local MP John Pugh, 20 ambulances were 'stacked up' there on one day last week.**

"Patients in A&E are waiting for admission beds on the wards but those can't be provided until those fit to leave are discharged.

"However that can't happen often unless Social Services has ready care packages and nursing home places.

'Fragmented'

"The resource for that is dwindling with Sefton Social Services and the local North Sefton GP commissioning group being in dispute over money the council believes is withheld.

"Meanwhile the GP commissioning group that funds the local NHS thinks its a good time to put the Community Nursing contract run by the hospital out to tender and up for grabs and the hospital has yet to replace its top management.

"To add to the problem, a survey I have recently conducted across town is showing that timely access to GPs is getting worse.

"We have an utterly fragmented, rudderless system with many conflicts of interest. It undermines NHS staff and puts patients at risk."

This week the Care Quality Commission is coming in to inspect the hospital trust and Dr Pugh is writing to them urging a wider review of the whole local NHS. "It's just typical that we inspect the NHS in bits when the lack of proper integration is the major problem," he added.

Lisa Hunt, interim chief operating officer for Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust, said: "In common with other local hospitals, the trust experienced significant pressure on bed availability over Easter. I want to apologise to anyone whose experience of care was not to our usual high standard.

"We want to see ambulance crews back on the road as quickly as possible after they have delivered a patient. That's why we are in active discussion with North West Ambulance Service about how we can improve the timeliness of handovers."

## Community group meeting date set

THE next meeting of the Police And Communities Together (PACT) group for Scott and Knowsley Wards in Ormskirk will be held on Monday, April 11 at Cottage Lane Mission, starting at 7.15pm. Representatives from Lancashire Constabulary and the local council will be present to discuss relevant concerns and deliver updates, and residents from both wards are encouraged to attend.

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The winners in each of the nine award categories will be announced by Lynda Armstrong OBE, chairperson of trustees, and Mike Robinson, chief executive of the British Safety Council, at the International Safety Awards Gala Dinner at Grosvenor House in London on Friday 6 May.

Mike Robinson said: "On behalf of the trustees and staff of the British Safety Council we warmly congratulate all the organisations that have been shortlisted for an award in the various categories.

by Danielle Thompson

"This is the third year we have presented the awards as part of our long-standing International Safety Awards scheme, recognising those that have been judged by our independent adjudicators as outstanding businesses in their sectors. This accolade is particularly significant since within the very high standard represented by all winners of the awards, these organisations excel in their industries.

"We look forward to announcing the winners of the sector awards and to celebrating with them at the Gala Dinner on May 6."

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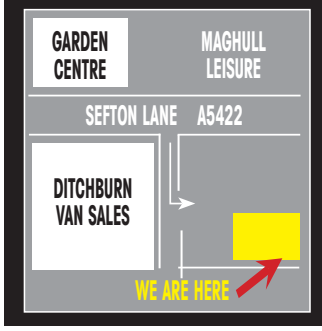


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# Borough's bus-users urged to check changes

TRANSPORT chiefs at Lancashire County Council are urging bus-users in West Lancashire to check any changes to services which came into force on Sunday, April 3.

A number of changes to timetables have been implemented, many as a result of cuts to the county council's budget which saw the authority having to reduce its subsidy for the services from around £7m to £2m as part of £65m savings agreed in February.

Difficult decision

The transport subsidy cut was one of many difficult decisions which the council says it faced in agreeing this year's budget, with the need to find more than £200m additional savings over the next five years.

68 of the 113 routes currently operated with support from the county council are expected to continue on a full or partial basis, though there may be changes to the routes and times of these services.

The county council has reallocated the new budget of £2m and worked with bus operators to enable these services to continue, with the aim of prioritising support for services that help people get to work and access education and other vital services.

Those bus services which the county council will no longer be supporting will either be run by the bus operators on a commercial basis or will stop running from this month.

Bus users wishing to check the changes can do so on the county council's website at www.lancashire.gov.uk.

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# Nursery staff step to it to raise funds for defibrillator

**STAFF at a local nursery opted to 'walk the walk' not just 'talk the talk' when they decided to raise funds for a life-saving Community Publicly Accessible Defibrillator.**

And their efforts took them more than two-thirds of the way to their £1,500 target figure when they completed a sponsored walk around Rivington Pike.

Thanks to support from family and friends - topped up with the proceeds of a raffle draw for a range of donated prizes - they raised more than £1,100.

The team at the Portico Nursery based at West End Primary School in Grimshaw Lane, Ormskirk were inspired after completing first aid training with members of the North West Ambulance Service and learning that the nearest defibrillator to the nursery is around 15 minutes away.

A defibrillator is a lightweight, portable device that delivers an electric shock to the heart designed to halt an irregular rhythm and allow a normal rhythm to resume following sudden cardiac arrest. If not treated within minutes, sudden cardiac arrest can quickly prove fatal.

To access a Community Publicly Accessible Defibrillatort members of the public can ring the emergency services to ask for a code to free the device from its protective cabinet.

The nursery staff - and four--legged friend - set off on their sponsored walk to Rivington Pike

The Lancashire Defibrillator Campaign was launched by former West Lancs mayoress Sue Murrin–Bailey in 2012.

Nursery manager, Amanda Wiley, said: "We are absolutely overwhelmed by how much we have already raised, it's unbelievable. We want to thank all of the community for their incredible support; the parents of the children have been phenomenal and I have had people from all over the area giving me donations to help to buy the defibrillator.

"My taxi driver even let me off the fare last week to add it to the donations! When I counted up how much we have raised so far it brought a tear to my eye how kind people are.

"We were so lucky, the walk took three hours and was on a lovely sunny day.

"We will now focus on how to raise the last £400 and are planning a sponsored walk for the children around the nursery."


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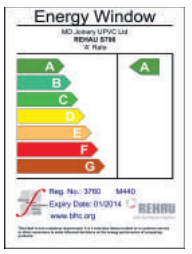


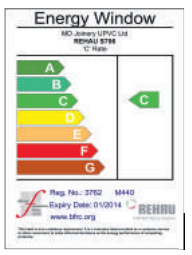


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# Martin Mere news

**Wardens at WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre are celebrating an Easter present after one rare Nene gosling recently hatched in mid-March.**

Only about 1,000 Nenes – pronounced 'nay-nay' after their call – survive in the wild in their native Hawaii. The goslings are out just in time for Easter; the proud parents seem unconcerned about the fuss their offspring are causing among visitors to Martin Mere.

The Nene (also known as Hawaiian Goose) is popular at the centre for being one of the birds that will actually take bird food from the hand and is an enjoyable attraction for children and adults.

The Hawaiian goose represents WWT's greatest conservation success story by breeding the birds in captivity and releasing them in the wild. The reintroduction programme started at Martin Mere in the 1980s when just three eggs were delivered to the centre and there are now approximately 60 Hawaiian Geese in the grounds.

The goslings, born on Thursday 17 March, have already attracted a lot of attention from families visiting the Centre over the Easter holidays.

Sometimes known as Lava geese, Nene's are the only waterfowl adapted for life on lava flows. An estimated 25,000 Nene's used to inhabit the Hawaiian islands, but following the arrival of Europeans in 1778 their numbers immediately began to decline.

The introduction of the mongoose in 1883 then seemed to seal their fate as it prayed voraciously on eggs, chicks and adults alike.

By 1907, the Nene was recognised as a protected species, but this seemed too little too late and only 20 or 30 birds survived by 1949. A major re-introduction programme was launched which saw Sir Peter Scott bring over two of the only remaining Nene's in the world from Hawaii, then WWT went on to release more than 200 of them back to the wild over the years helping to save the Nene from extinction.

In other news at the centre, the first swallows have been spotted on the reserve feeding with the sand martin in front of the Harrier hide and the single Bewick swan is still coming up to feed at the Discovery hide.

WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre is open every day (except Christmas Day) from 9.30am to 6pm and parking is free of charge. Situated off the A59, it is signposted from the M61, M58 and M6. The Centre is also accessible via the Southport to Manchester and the Liverpool to Preston line by train from Burscough Rail Stations. Visit the web site www.wwt.org.uk/martinmere/ to find out what's on all year round at Martin Mere and the other eight WWT Wetland Centres.

**Visit the web site www.wwt.org.uk/martinmere to find out what's on the reserve at the moment as well as all the upcoming events**


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# Midwives deliver £6,000 boost with charity ball

**Having a ball for a worthy cause...some of the organisers of the Up Holland event in aid of the Southport and Ormskirk Maternity Bereavement Fund**

**A GRAND charity ball organised by midwives at Ormskirk Hospital proved to be a huge success raising more than £6,000.**

The event was staged at the Lancashire Manor Hotel in Up Holland with all the proceeds going to the Southport and Ormskirk Maternity Bereavement Fund.

It is planned to use the money to help redecorate the bereavement suite at Ormskirk Hospital and to develop a memorial garden.

One of the organisers, midwife Stephanie Atherton, said: "The evening was an amazing success. We had 125 guests who had a fantastic time and raised funds for a very important cause.

"We'd like to thank everyone who attended for their superb support.

"It is one of the most heartbreaking things for parents to lose a baby and we wanted to help raise funds to improve our maternity bereavement suite for families who have suffered such a loss."

Southport and Ormskirk NHS Hospital Trust interim chief executive, Ann Marr opened the evening which featured a champagne reception, three-course meal and a range of excellent auction prizes.

Now the midwives are busy planning more fundraising events for the summer as well as another charity ball in September 2017.

## Skelmersdale Community Food Initiative
## Annual General Meeting

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# Champion LETTERS to the Editor

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## Ours is West Lancashire's forgotten village - Dick Turpin was around the last time we had public transport!

AFTER reading comments on your letters page, I feel I must put pen to paper regarding the village where I live, one that West Lancs Council seem to repeatedly forget.

I refer to Crawford Village and here are just a few points, that we as council tax payers, should be entitled to.

**1. Pot holes.** Our roads are like a farm track or the outback in Australia. We get the occasional blob of tarmac that with luck lasts a short while. I am a cyclist, motorcyclist and car driver. This road is a slalom course and a danger and an accident waiting to happen.

**2. Speeding vehicles**. Asking for a police presence to catch some of these idiots is like asking for a letter from God.

**3. Community police officers**. I have never seen one – a police patrol vehicle might pass through and back if we are lucky.

**4. Pavements.** If you are lucky you can also walk solo on them, not two abreast, making this extremely dangerous for parents with small children, who have to walk in the road, between the housing estate and the school.

**5. Surface water.** Channels and grids are filled with debris and silt, some grids are completely blocked.

**6. Public transport.** This ceased long ago, (I think Dick Turpin, and Robin Hood, were around at the time when we last had public transport). Teenagers and the elderly can feel very isolated. As a pensioner I have a right to a transport pass, which I can't see the point of! I would have to walk around two miles in each direction to use it.

Also, we have no public house, no shops, or amenities, but I suppose we can't blame the government for the last two.

People in most areas are a lot better off than residents of Crawford Village, because all we seem to get, as voters and tax payers, are our bins emptied.

**I. Kendall, Crawford resident**

## As usual, the people of Skelmersdale don't count

**WEST Lancashire Council have voted to build a new housing estate on the site where the Skelmersdale sports centre once stood. So that marks the end of that - a place where kids and adults could meet to keep fit, play sports and make friendships, now gone forever.**

**Why could they not build a new sports centre on this site and give Skelmersdale back this vital part of its infrastructure? No, we get nothing – as usual, the people of Skelmersdale don't count.**

**This council gives Ormskirk everything but will not invest in Skelmersdale. Look at the parks in Skelmersdale compared to Ormskirk and look at the shopping facilities – bars, restaurants, a nice place to spend the day with the family or friends, where you feel safe and happy with a wide range of things to do.**

**Meanwhile in Skelmersdale, we have nothing. Our parks are disgusting, there are no places to eat or drink, nowhere that you can take your children and feel safe.**

**The council keep putting out this lie about building a high street but we all know this is never going to happen.**

**They are closing our schools and any other facility where they can sell the land and not use the funds raised to rebuild Skelmersdale's crumbling infrastructure.**

**I wish someone would stand up and tell the truth – Skelmersdale is not going to get anything and never will.**

**Sorry, I forgot – we are getting a new pub near to the Asda where our kids can hang out, learning all the skills they will need to develop into bright, educated adults.**

Andrew Gilland, by email

# PICTURE of the week

**On the trail. Runners head into the West Lancashire countryside at the start of a recent 10K race in support of the Sport Relief charity. Picture by Martyn Snape.**

## £340m investment but still no new rail station for us

AS reported in The Champion and various other local media outlets, a cash boost of £340m is to be spent by Network Rail and Liverpool City Region on projects across Merseyside, to bring in a faster and more reliable service by the year 2019.

Scheduled in the projects is the building of a new station. I wonder how many people reading this were momentarily excited with the prospect of a new station being built at Skelmersdale town centre?

But those hopes must be dashed because the new station is being sited between Maghull and Town Lane stations. This is in support of what they consider the increasing demand and extensive new housing and employment developments expected in the area.

Are the people proposing the building of this new station only doing it on *expected* developments? They should look to Skelmersdale, an urban area where they will find a 38,000-plus population already in place and not something that is expected.

It just may be that I am being a little previous, having not read any report on the proposed projects other than what I have heard and read in the local media, and that there is a station planned for Skelmersdale amongst the projects.

Sorry, but I won't be holding my breath.

**Bill Clarke, Pennylands, Skelmersdale**

## Come along and speak up to help curb traffic problems

**I AM writing in response to previous letters regarding traffic problems on and around Cottage Lane and the Redgate area.**

**I would seriously urge all people in this area who are concerned about the 20mph speed limit being totally ignored, along with the amount of 30 to 40 tonne, 12-wheel HGVs, to keep writing or emailing to West Lancs Council and the county council's highways department with their concerns.**

**The more people who complain the more chance we have of getting something done.**

**We moved into Cottage Lane two years ago and have since been attending Police and Community Together (PACT) meeting expressing our concerns regarding these worsening problems.**

**The next meeting in Cottage Lane Mission is planned for Monday, April 18 starting at 7.15pm.**

**With regard to Mr McCarthy's letter (March 23), I am afraid he is rather behind the times as we have been fighting for traffic-calming on Cottage Lane for the last two years.**

**Also, the driving on pavements referred to is because at times drivers have to mount the pavement in order to allow HGVs to pass by, but he gives the impression that motorists are actually driving along the pavement.**

**Chicanes and speed bumps have all been thoroughly discussed at PACT meetings - so come along and express your concerns.**

Maureen Hughes, by email

## Spare a thought for the visually impaired

WE live in a very thoughtless, me-first society where no one seems to think of anyone but themselves. This is becoming more apparent as my visually impaired husband goes out walking with his guide dog.

Most of his routes involve walking down Ormskirk Road. At certain points the footpath goes very narrow but this doesn't stop inconsiderate drivers parking on the double yellow lines, or worse still, the actual footpath.

Recently I noticed three cars on Ormskirk Road parked on double yellow lines outside an off-licence. Had my husband been there with his dog they would have had to go into the road to pass.

Are people's bank holiday booze fests more important than a visually impaired person's safety?

Should the visually impaired be expected to stay in every day, prisoners in their own home, because of people's thoughtlessness? I think not.

So please spare a thought for the vusiually impaired when parking your car.

**Lisa Johnson, Ormskirk Road, Skemersdale**

## Sorry, Jim, EU not to blame for uncomfortable trains

**I DON'T think Jim Sharpe (One Man and His Dog, March 23) can really blame the EU for uncomfortable seats on British trains.**

**I would suggest the hard, slimline seats we find on Transpennine Express and London Midland have more to do with the operators' wish to cram in as many rows of seats as possible.**

**Instead we should be thanking the EU for the imminent end of the horrible Pacer trains.**

**These do not meet EU standards for public transport so are having to go.**

**Originally designed in the 1980s when the Thatcher government starved the railways of investment, they were built as cheaply as possible (a bus body welded on to a goods truck chassis) to last 20 years. However some 30-plus years later Northern Rail still uses them.**

**I am delighted that Deutsche Bahn (German state railways trading as Arriva) is taking over the Northern routes in April and has already ordered new trains.**

**Deutsche Bahn already runs several rail companies in the UK, including the popular Chiltern line from London to Birmingham. I used that recently and the seats were perfectly comfortable, thank you.**

Adrian Tayler, Skelmersdale, by email

# Pub cat was a mouse trap!

GOD, it's said, works in mysterious ways his miracles to perform and certainly, whatever powers may be seem to have done a pretty good job of protecting me from myself in the past few weeks.

For years it had been the practice of myself and my late brother George to start our boating season in our lovely old motor cruiser 'Manxman' a week or two before Easter. We realised the Norfolk and Suffolk rivers and broads would resemble Piccadilly Circus in the rush-hour over the holiday break so this seemed a ripping wheeze. And it worked.

So I had planned for me and my trusty (?) crew, the dogs Tina and Cinders, to do the same this year. But when I realised that Easter was early and the long-range weather forecast not good, I decided to risk it.

My plan was to travel down to Norfolk in the week leading up to Good Friday, take the boat down through Great Yarmouth and bury ourselves in the southern rivers, which are always far quieter than the northern ones, over the Easter weekend itself. And that would have been a ghastly mistake.

Apparently the weather in the days over the latter part of the holiday and the early part of the week following has been horrendous with storm-force winds - the worst conditions for boating.

We will now be venturing out in the near future instead with the reasonable expectation that the weather will certainly be better than that.

Actually, I had my fill of weather-induced excitement during my short trip down there in November last year - another a long-established custom for me as I make it a practice of always being away from home for my birthday. Even before we bought Manxman in 1984 I had established a practice of taking a short break in the Isle of Man at that time.

I reckoned that if I remained here I would obviously be inundated with cards and presents,so to avoid the adulation I made myself scarce for a few days. Anyway, I loved going to the island in November. You could get a top-class hotel room for buttons, and I always hired a car for part of my break as that too was very cheap. For the remaining car-free days I (along with brother or my dad) made use of the bus services by which you could literally set your watch.

The one drawback to the island for me (though I suspect others might think the opposite) is that dogs (or any animal) cannot by law be taken into pubs. One extremely wet day, we had taken shelter in a pub in the village of Laxey. There was a welcome fire blazing and between us and it lay what appeared to be a cat. I had no objection to this at all, but I did mention to the landlady that I thought animals weren't allowed. She looked puzzled and then said: "Oh, that's not a cat, that's a mouse trap." Lovely.

Another time George and I stayed at an old pub in Castletown. It had very basic accommodation but the food was plentiful and (normally) well cooked. Apart from the pud on the first evening. Our host came into the small dining room and announced: "It's baked Disaster I'm afraid. Actually, though it would have won no Masterchef awards, it tasted OK anyway.

On the morning we were due to travel back to Liverpool on the 9.30 sailing from Douglas, we decided to book a taxi to make sure we got to the sea terminal on time. There was a bus which was supposed to connect with the boat, but stupidly we decided not to risk it.

The taxi turned up on time and off we set. Halfway the car suffered a flat tyre. The driver set about changing the wheel in a leisurely sort of way and the bus which we had spurned trundled past us. I explained to the driver that we wanted to catch the 9.30 boat, to which we replied: "No problem – there's another tomorrow isn't there?"

We did of course catch the boat. Happy days.

# Councillors sign up to Dementia Friends project

THE Mayor of West Lancs and 11 fellow councillors have joined the drive to increase public understanding of dementia and remove the stigma surrounding the disorder, by becoming Dementia Friends.

Councillor Nikki Hennessy and her council colleagues took part in a free one–hour training session given by local Dementia Friends Champion, Joe Sherville at the council offices in Derby Road, Ormskirk.

Run by the national Alzheimer's Society, the Dementia Friends programme is the charity's initiative to change people's perceptions of dementia. It aims to transform the way the nation thinks, talks and acts about the condition by recruiting Dementia Friends with the know–how to help sufferers feel understood and included in their community.

Joe Sherville said: "The council Dementia Friends session was brilliant with lots of questions. Raising awareness will help to take us forward, making our community more dementia-friendly."


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# Police launch two-week guns and ammunition 'surrender' initiative

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

**POLICE in Lancashire are holding a two-week 'surrender' for members of the public to hand in firearms and ammunition.**

Lancashire Constabulary, along with five other forces from across the North West, launched the ' Give up the Gun' initiative on Monday (April 4).

It will run until 8pm on Monday, April 18 and follows on from a previous scheme in 2014 when members of the public were asked to surrender any unlawfully-held or unwanted guns and ammunition to prevent them from getting into the wrong hands.

A total of 103 firearms, including shotguns, air guns, pistols, rifles and revolvers, were handed in, along with more than 3,400 rounds of ammunition during that 2014 surrender period, codenamed Operation Holster.

This year officers are hoping for an even better response.

The police say that many firearms are held in innocence and ignorance of their illegality or are overlooked and forgotten in people's homes.

Others are acquired and distributed by criminal networks to harm, threaten and intimidate their local communities.

The 'surrender' gives people the chance to dispose of the firearm or ammunition by simply taking it to a local police station and handing it in.

Officers say that surrendering unwanted, unlicensed weapons avoids the risk of them becoming involved in criminality and means that members of the community can dispose of firearms in a safe place.

**Officers are urging residents to hand in guns and ammunition**

During this two-week period, those surrendering firearms may not face prosecution for the illegal possession and can remain anonymous.

However, each weapon handed in will be assessed by firearms officers, with some being forensically checked for evidence.

Chief Inspector Mark Baines said: "Following on from the success of the 2014 surrender, taking more than 100 firearms off our streets, this is another opportunity for people to do the right thing and get rid of these potentially deadly weapons.

"The message really is simple – give up the gun, help us save lives and keep our communities gun-free.

"Even though many firearms in Lancashire are legitimately licensed, we know that there are still many unlawfully held. These weapons may be a trophy or antique, acquired or inherited from a relative, or firearms and ammunition that have been forgotten about for many years.

"We would encourage people to come forward during the two weeks and help us to stop these weapons from falling into the hands of criminals.

"In Lancashire, we are fortunate that we do not have the same level of gun crime problems experienced by other areas but we are not complacent which is why we are giving this opportunity for people to dispose of unwanted guns safely."

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Shadow minister Kerry McCarthy (centre left) with campaigners in Holmeswood

# MP launches flood pumps campaign

**LABOUR'S shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Kerry McCarthy visited West Lancs last week to help launch the Save Our Flood Pumps Campaign aimed at reversing the decision to switch off five pumping stations in Alt Crossens next year.**

The MP joined local councillors and activists for the launch at the Holmeswood pumping station.

Last summer the government decided to switch off five of West Lancashire's flood pumps and in December the area was hit by some of the worst floods in years.

West Lancs Council leader, Councillor Ian Moran is calling for people to add their signatures to his letter to Prime Minister David Cameron, calling on him to reconsider the decision in light of the devastating impact of the floods this winter.

Meanwhile flood defences spending in the region looks set to lose out again. According to analysis by the Press Association, the North West, which saw some of the worst flooding this December, will get just 5% of the total spend specified by area. Five times more will be spent in the South East than the North West.

Councillor Moran said: "The people of West Lancashire will be outraged to hear that so much money is being spent on flood defences in the south while the government is shutting down our flood pumps. We must make them re-think their decision and protect the land for our farmers and families. I urge people to sign our letter and make Cameron think again."

Kerry McCarthy added: "I was pleased to launch the Save Our Flood pumps campaign in Ormskirk and add my name to Cllr. Moran's letter. The local people are rightly worried about what the impact of turning off these flood pumps will be. They are still recovering from some of the worst floods for 100 years.

"The risk of flooding will only increase as climate change worsens, so the government's planned cuts in this area will do little to inspire confidence that they are taking the problem seriously. The spending figures will be of real concern to people in West Lancashire who feel forgotten by the government, particularly those who have suffered in the recent floods."

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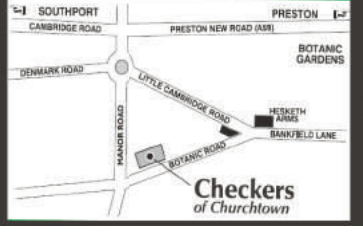


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Members of the Mawdesley and neighbouring villages U3A art group at the exhibition

# *U3A artists put their talents on display*

*MEMBERS of the Mawdesley and neighbouring villages University of the Third Age (U3A) art group put their talents on public display when they held their Spring Exhibition at Mawdesley Village Hall.*

*The show featured a sizeable number of paintings and drawings demonstrating a range of subject matter, techniques and media and a number of sales were made on the day.*

*Art group co-ordinator, Norman Foulds, said: "The art group is a thriving social activity within this U3A and new members are always very welcome.*

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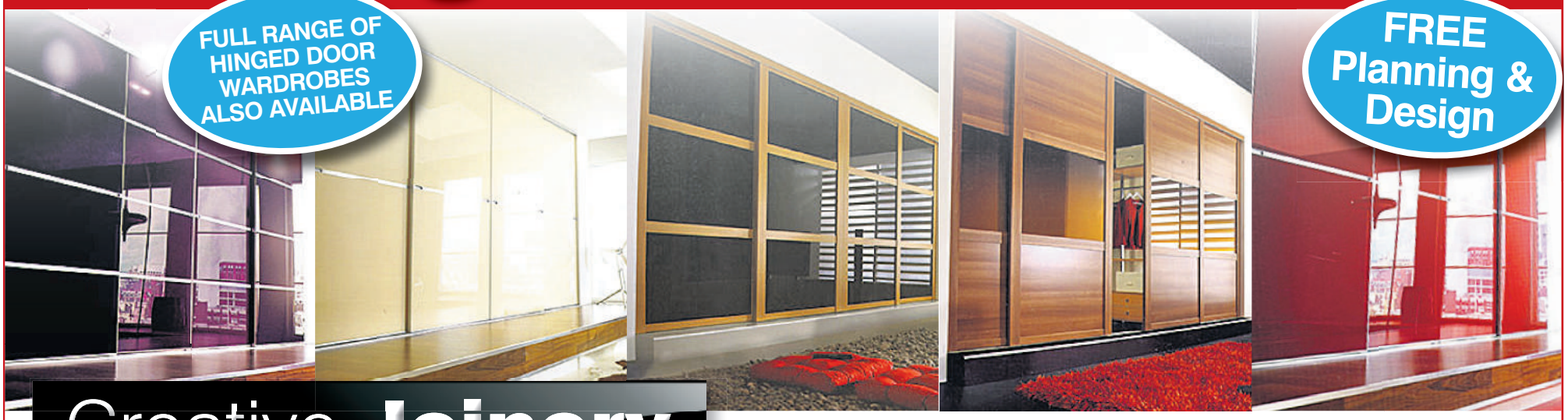


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# Residents urged to apply now for postal and proxy votes in local and police commissioner elections

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

**WEST Lancs Council officials are reminding residents in the borough to apply NOW for a postal or proxy vote for the 2016 local and police and crime commissioner elections**.

Local elections take place in some West Lancashire Council wards on Thursday, May 5 May; and on the same date voters all over the borough will also go to the polls for the Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner election.

You can still vote in the elections even if you can't get to a polling station that day.

If you don't think you will be able to go to a polling station then you can apply for a postal vote, or a proxy vote, where someone you nominate can go to the polling station to register your vote on your behalf.

Kim Webber, returning officer for West Lancashire, said: "You don't need to be away or be housebound to apply for a postal or a proxy vote.

"Contact the council as soon as you can to apply to make sure you can vote in the elections.

"Anyone who wants to vote in this year's elections, either by post, proxy or going to the polling station, must be on the Electoral Register."

To assist people the detail of the applications process is as follows.

**Register to Vote:**
Residents can check whether they're registered to vote by calling the elections office on 01695 585014.

You can fill in an online registration by visiting www.gov.uk/register-to-vote or www.westlancs.gov.uk/registertovote.

For more information email elections.office@westlancs.gov.uk. If you don't have access to the internet ask the elections office for a paper registration form. Closing date to register to vote at the May elections is Monday, April 18.

**Postal or Proxy Votes:**
To apply for a postal or proxy vote form call the Elections Office on 01695 585014, email electionsoffice@westlancs.gov.uk or download an application form from www.westlancs.gov.uk/elections.

Alternatively you can call in to the council offices at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk.

Your completed application form for a postal vote must reach the council by 5pm on Tuesday, April 19 and completed application forms for a proxy vote must arrive by 5pm on Tuesday, April 26.

**Emergency Proxy Votes:**
Applications to vote at these elections by emergency proxy applied for on grounds of physical incapacity, where that physical incapacity occurred after 5pm on Tuesday, 26 April 2015 or for work/service reasons, must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, West Lancashire, L39 2DF by 5pm on Thursday, May 5.

## Mawdesley memories

***MEMORIES of growing up in and around Mawdesley will be the theme of a 'live' performance at the next meeting of the Burscough Heritage History group on Monday, April 11.***

***Members of the public are welcome to attend the open meeting which will be held at the Blue Mallard restaurant on Burscough Wharf starting at 7.30pm.***

***It will feature guest speakers, Sue Draper and Hilda Hewitt talking about their own childhoods.***

***Organiser and heritage group member, Colin Wareing, said: "Sue and Hilda recorded in poetry and prose their memories of growing up and life around Mawdesley and beyond. From this came a booklet and then a series of live performances. They are now bringing their homespun show to our April meeting and we are sure it will make the audience laugh and cry, but above all provide a great evening of entertainment."***

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# Charity grant award gives tree bee group a buzz

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

**MEMBERS of a West Lancs community group and conservation trust are 'buzzing' after being awarded a grant to help create a wildlife haven.**

The Burscough-based not-for-profit organisation, The Tree Bee Society, have been awarded the £500 grant by the conservation charity, Grow Wild's Transform a Space fund in order to create a Burscough Pollinator Station.

By planting wildflowers, native British plants and herbs and introducing environments for wildlife and pollinating insects, the group hopes to transform the patch of land at the bottom of Square Lane into a small haven for bees and butterflies for the public to enjoy.

Currently, British bee numbers are suffering, with three out of 27 known species already extinct.

By creating a pollinator station in such a key location, the Tree Bee Society are hoping to not only highlight the link between pollination and food production, but plan to provide a station for pollinators to feed on, free of pesticides.

Abigail Reade, communications officer for the Tree Bee Society, said: "I'm hoping that this will benefit not only our local wildlife and community, but also provide much-needed colour to the patch of grass at the bottom of Square Lane.

"I'm incredibly excited for the project to begin and I'm looking forward to working with Grow Wild and Burscough Parish council to make the space look fantastic."

The Tree Bee Society logo

If you are a young person or are involved in a group for young people and would like to see how you can get involved in Burscough Pollinator Station, contact Abigail Reade on 01704 894 018; email beemail@treebee.org.uk; or visit www.treebee.org.uk/projects.

## Classics on menu at choir concert

ORMSKIRK Music Society choir will present their Spring Concert on Saturday, April 9 at St John the Baptist Church, School Lane, Burscough, starting at 7.30pm.

The programme will feature popular classics including the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah with a brass and organ accompaniment, and Verdi's Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves.

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Councillor Nikki Hennessy is pictured receiving the cheque from the college learners who raised £365 for one of her charities,Young Carers of West Lancashire. The learners were invited to a tour of the council chambers as a thank-you.

# Civic 'thank-you' for college learners who raised funds for mayor's charity

LEARNERS at West Lancashire College who raised more than £300 for the mayor's charity, Young Carers in West Lancashire, were given their own 'civic reception' as a thank-you.

The college's Entry Level 1 and 2 Foundation Learners staged a number of various fundraising activities for the charity including a tombola, chocolate hamper raffle and name-the-teddy competition.

As well as raising much-welcome funds, these activities provided the learners the opportunity to acquire a range of employability skills, including teamwork and communication.

And after going along to the college to collect the cheque for £365 on behalf of the charity, the mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Nikki Hennessy invited the learners to enjoy a reciprocal visit to the council chambers.

During their visit the college party were given the opportunity to learn about democracy and ask questions before enjoying a tour of the chambers followed by a buffet lunch in the mayor's parlour.

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# Former owner of Parbold Hall Sir Peter Moores dies

Report by **Henry James**

**FORMER owner of Parbold Hall, Sir Peter Moores, has died at the age of 83.**

A son of the founder of the Littlewoods empire, Sir John Moores, Sir Peter bought the prominent property on Parbold Hill in the 1950s when it was in a ruinous state.

He spent millions restoring it and its estate, which includes 174 acres of woodland and enjoys views over Greater Manchester and as far as North Wales.

After first acquring the property he said: "It was quite a mess but a solid, strong mess and I thought I could deal with it."

### Philanthropist

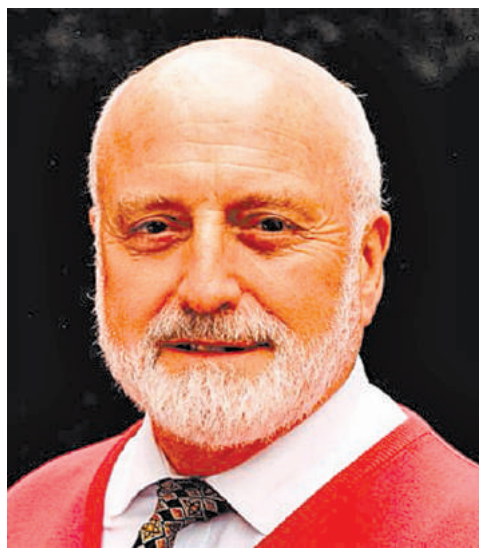
A successful businessman and noted philanthropist, Sir Peter, who was knighted in 2003, opened the grounds annually to raise funds for local charities.

He also established the Peter Moores Foundation in the 1960s with the aim of supporting the arts. When it closed in 2014 after 50 years the foundation had donated more than £231million to charitable causes.

From 1971 to 1986, the Walker Art Gallery in Liverpool hosted the Peter Moores biennial contemporary art exhibition.

Sir Peter put Parbold Hall up for sale in 2011 with an initial asking price of £9.5m and it was eventually sold for an undisclosed sum.

Peter was the fourth child of Sir John Moores, who founded the Littlewoods football pools company in 1923.



Sir Peter Moores

When Sir John retired in 1977, Peter, who attended Eton College and Christ Church, Oxford, became chairman of Littlewoods. He gave up the role in 1980 but remained a director until 1993.

On the death of his father, he inherited a half share in the family business before the Barclay brothers bought the shopping and catalogues business from the Moores family for £750m in October 2002.

Peter was married to Luciana Pinto in 1960, but the marriage was dissolved in 1984. He leaves a son and a daughter.

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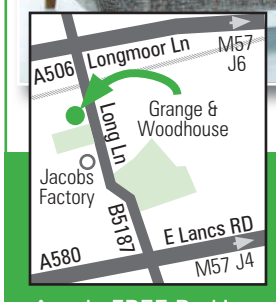

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# Nursery youngsters enjoy lessons in life

*YOUNGSTERS at the Legacy Rainbow House nursery in Mawdesley had an 'egg-cellent' time celebrating Easter by combining learning with fun.*

*The children were able to hold some newly-hatched chicks before drawing and painting stories about the chicks and reading books and watching clips about how they hatch and grow.*

*The Legacy nursery caters for children from babies up to the age of five of all abilities, including those with special educational needs.*

*Chief exectuve, Carole Cochrane, said: "We believe every child deserves the best start in life, irrespective of their abilities or background and we aim to provide a wide range of activities and experiences to meet their varied needs.*

*"It is heart-warming to see the interaction between the children and how the able bodied and those with disabilities work and play together. It shows that we are not born with prejudices, we learn them.*

*"The idea of bringing in the eggs so that the children could see them hatch and grow has been very popular and meets our objective of learning with fun. It was interesting for the children to see how the chicks changed within hours of hatching and instinctively knew to eat and drink even though there was no 'mum' to teach them. "*

**One of the nursery children holds a newly-hatched chick**

# Village's royal celebration

A VILLAGE Life Weekend will be held in Tarleton to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday from Friday to Sunday, April 15 to 17.

There will be a preview evening on Friday and the display will be open on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5pm.

The event will be opened on the Saturday at Tarleton Methodist Church by the Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Nikki Hennessy and South Ribble MP, Seema Kennedy.

Villagers have been hunting through attics and wardrobes to find memorabilia to display for the event which will look back at the changes in village life through the decades during the Queen's life.

# School artists need your vote

**Eye, one of the entries by Our Lady Queen of Peace College pupil Emelia Haliniak**

**TALENTED young artists from West Lancashire need your vote to help them triumph in a regional art contest.**

Students at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Engineering College in Skelmersdale have reached the second round of the Dot-art Schools inter-school art competition.

The contest, which is in its fourth year, gives pupils in years 6 and 9 from the region the opportunity to showcase their artistic talents and display their work in a public exhibition in St George's Hall in Liverpool.

More than 2,500 children from 80 primary and secondary schools across the North West entered the contest.

And the schools which have progressed to the second round submitted photographs of up to 25 students' work to the Dot-art website. These were judged by a panel of judges from galleries across Merseyside who narrowed them down to the top three pieces of work from each school.

The public vote is now open, online, until Saturday, April 30 and posters with images of the top three entries from each school will be displayed at selected Merseyrail train stations nearest to the schools to encourage people to vote for their favourite. Last year more than 3,000 votes were cast.

In May, there will be a prize-giving ceremony at St George's Hall when a guest judge will select the overall winners and runners-up in both the primary and secondary school categories.

The winning pieces of work from each school will go on display in a public exhibition in the hall for two weeks between May and June.

To view the shortlist and vote go to www.schools.dot-art.com/votenow.


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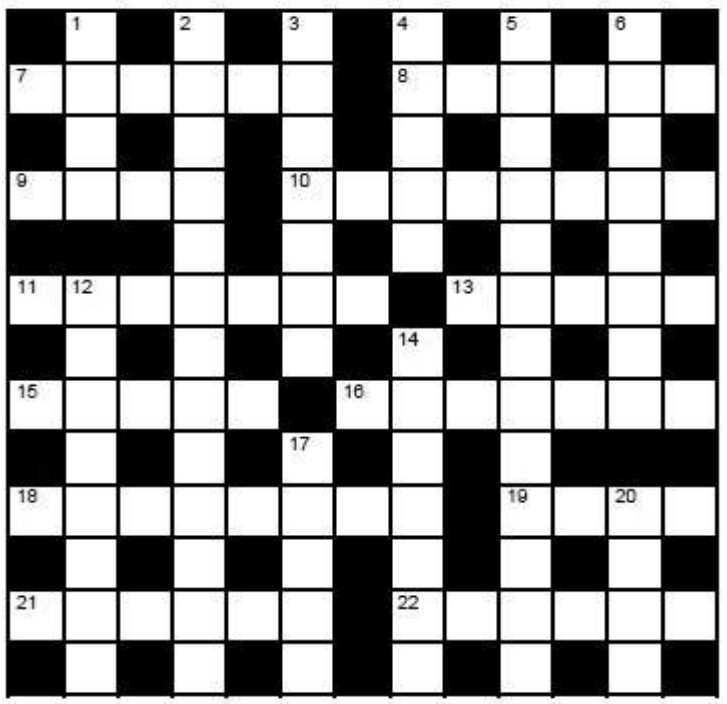

*Last week's solutions:*

*Across: 7 Profit-sharing. 8 Hacienda. 9 Next. 10 Acrylic. 12 Octet. 14 Fry-up. 16 Overate. 19 Aids. 20 Hornpipe. 22 Cheddar cheese.*

*Down: 1 Aria. 2 Effigy. 3 Stand in. 4 Shoat. 5 Ironic. 6 Inexpert. 11 Corniche. 13 Avarice. 15 Upside. 17 Rapper. 18 Shear. 21 Peso.*

**ACROSS**

7 Vicar's assistant (6)
8 Short, thick stick used as a weapon (6)
9 Scorch (4)
10 Insane (8)
11 Person who lives an austere life (7)
13 Cylindrical roll of tobacco for smoking (5)
15 Speedy or lively (5)
16 Presiding officer in the House of Commons (7)
18 Person who boasts about their achievements (8)
19 Above average height (4)
21 Keeper or driver of an elephant (6)
22 Spasm (6)

**DOWN**

1 Silence (4)
2 Bird trained to carry messages (7,6)
3 Late 1960s rock musician Jimi (7)
4 Pale brownish-yellow colour (5)
5 One of two siblings who look the same (9,4)
6 Spend time in a dull, inactive way (8)
12 You drive along this when entering or leaving a motorway (4,4)
14 US term for an area away from the major cities, usually to the north (7)
17 Spaghetti or lasagne, for instance (5)
20 Wingless parasitic insects which live off mammals (4)


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## Local twitchers witness interesting changes in Birdwatch survey

# Mild winters help bring small birds back to our gardens

Report by **Henry James**

*TWITCHERS from West Lancashire who took part in the 37th RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch will have witnessed some interesting changes among our most popular garden birds.*

*The tiny long-tailed tit has flown into the Big Garden Birdwatch national top 10 after the average number seen visiting gardens across the UK increased this year by 44 per cent.*

*RSPB experts are linking the increase in sightings of the species, along with other smaller gardens birds such as coal tits, to the mild weather in the months leading up to the 2016 Birdwatch.*

*Small, insect-eating birds like the tits are particularly susceptible to the cold as the food they rely on is hard to come by in frosts and snow therefore the milder conditions are likely to have contributed to a higher survival rate.*

*Dr Daniel Hayhow, RSPB ccnservation scientist, said: "This year's survey was another brilliant year for the Big Garden Birdwatch. More than half-a-million people took part counting a bumper 8.2 million birds, providing us with valuable data which helps to build a better picture of how our garden birds are doing.*

*"The weather can have varied effects on different groups of birds in terms of behaviour and habitats used.*

*"The increase in long-tailed tit sightings, along with other smaller garden*

**The long-tailed tit is one of the species of small birds being seen in increasing numbers in our gardens according to this year's RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch**

*birds, just goes to show that, in the absence of very cold weather, these species can survive the winter months in much greater numbers. The warmer temperatures have made it easier to find food, like insects, which in previous colder winters would have been harder to come by because of frosts and snow."*

*During periods of colder temperatures birds struggle to find food in the wider countryside so become more reliant on garden feeders. Long-tailed tits, and other smaller birds, have adapted to feeding on seeds and peanuts at bird tables or from hanging feeders.*

*Since 2006, the average number of long-tailed tits seen in UK gardens has increased by 52 per cent, while great tits numbers have gone up by 13 per cent and coal tits by nine per cent.*

*Despite this boost in numbers many other garden favourites are struggling. Sightings of well known species such as starlings and song thrushes have experienced another drop.*

## Hospital trust board meeting

**THE next board meeting of the Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust is being held today (Wednesday April 6) from 9.30am in the clinical education centre at Southport and Formby District General Hospital.**

**Members of the public are welcome to attend and observe. The agenda was available on the trust website in advance of the meeting and supporting papers are made available on the day.**


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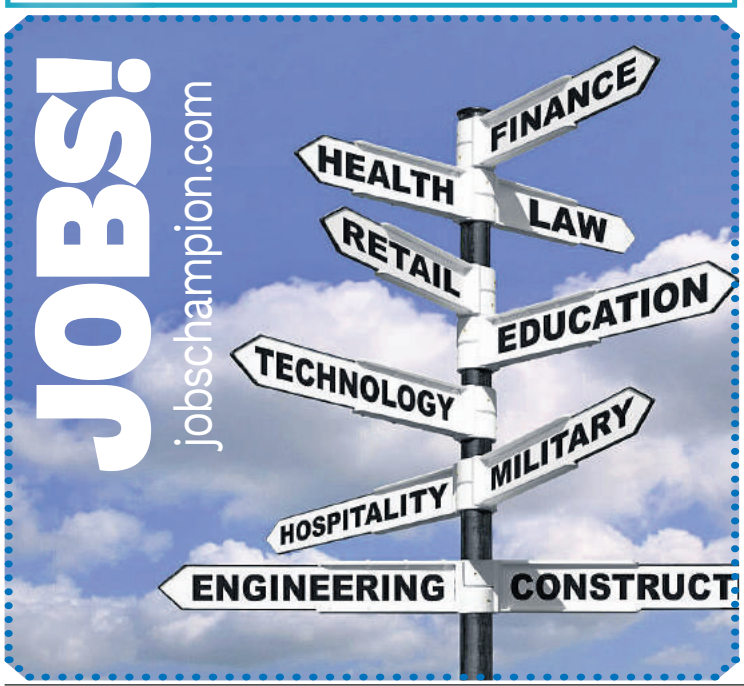



# Young riders shine in national championships

by Danielle Thompson

**A GROUP of talented equestrians from West Lancashire have made their mark in a prestigious national competition.**

A team of 14 riders from the Parbold Equestrian Centre travelled down to Warwickshire to compete in the highly-competitive British Riding School Championships with three being placed and one bringing home a third-place rosette.

Accompanied by instructors, grooms and an enthusiastic band of supporters the Parbold party excelled themselves in the competition at the Warwickshire College of Agriculture.

Sue Maxwell won bronze in the dressage category for over-18s, Ella Smith was placed fourth in the dressage for under-17s and Poppy Sheffield was fifth in the dressage, show-jumping and stable management category for over-18s.

Steve Bennett from Parbold Equestrian Centre said: "We had a number of riders who competed in the dressage, show-jumping and stable management categories by age ranges. Alice Kay, Lucy Downton and Claire MacDonald competed in the under-12s category; Katie Lander, Elysia Yenulevich and Alex Copland featured in the 13 to 17 years section and Amanda Heskith and Poppy Sheffield in the over-18s category.

In addition, riders Alice Sandford, Ella Smith and Rachel Howell competed in the dressage contest for under-17s, while Paul O'Hagan, Sue Maxwell and Rachel Hart competed in the dressage contest for over-18s.

"All the riders had a wonderful day doing themselves and their instructors proud with special mention going to the three riders who placed in their respective groups.

"The riders all undertook hard work in preparing for this competition during the last four months and instructors and grooms Nic Byrom, Carrie Byrom, Sue Traskowski, Rachel Bent, Eli Cocking, Sam Welsh and Bonnie Halsall did so much."

**Sue Maxwell with the third-place rosette she won at the British Riding School Chamionships in Warwickshire**

# Variety of speakers lined up at coffee morning club

THE next meeting of the Hobnob coffee morning club on Wednesday, April 13 will feature a talk about the fantastic work done by Lancashire Carers Support Services.

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 11am to 12.15pm at Aughton Village Hall and all members of the public are welcome to enjoy a cuppa and a chat, as well as talks by guest speakers and themed mornings.

Hobnob secretary, Julia Woolgar, said: "On Wednesday, April 13, Colin Bowman from n-compass will speak about Lancashire Carers Support Services and the Generic and Health Complaints Advocacy Service for adults living in the Lancashire County Council area.

"And on April 27, Luke Brookfield from the National Citizen Service, will talk about The Challenge, a programme designed to inspire and challenge young people to get involved with projects in their local communities.

"On May 11, Laura Holmes from Preston Care & Repair, which is supported by Lancashire County Council, will talk about their home repairs, adaptations and handyman services which are provided free of charge for eligible people or at a small charge.

"And on May 25, the theme is More Poetry, Please, when members will have the opportunity to read and discuss their favourite poems."

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# Care trust staff recognised at annual awards ceremony

Report by **Henry James**

**MORE than 300 employees of Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust gathered at the DeVere Hotel in Blackpool for the seventh annual Staff Awards ceremony to celebrate the past year's successes.**

The event was attended by members of staff from across the trust and provided an opportunity to cheer on their colleagues who had been nominated for one of the 10 categories.

For the third year running, the awards also saw the return of the People's Choice Award which was nominated and voted for by members of the public.

Heather Tierney-Moore, chief executive at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust, said: "We have seen the awards grow in popularity over the last few years and this year was no exception.

"It was a great evening with lots of fun had by everyone who attended.

"Our staff are extremely dedicated to providing high-quality care to all our service users and their families and carers, and the awards provide an opportunity to celebrate their achievements. As always, the standard of nominations was very high and it proved to be a difficult task shortlisting in each of the categories.

"Everyone who was nominated should be very proud of their work and those who received an award this year are fine examples of just some of our staff who go above and beyond in their roles."

Trust chair, Derek Brown, added: "It was a wonderful evening and you could see how proud people were of their colleagues as we heard the stories of each of the shortlisted nominees.

**Heather Tierney-Moore, chief executive at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust**

"The fact the awards are growing in popularity each year is a testament to our staff, who provide such great work across the trust footprint and I'm delighted we are able to offer such an event to honour the quality work that takes place on a daily basis."

Winners were awarded with a trophy and there was also recognition for colleagues who just missed out on a winning spot but who still deserved a special mention.


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The winning orienteering team from Rufford Primary School

# Pupils steer their way to county finals

**PUPILS from Rufford Primary School have secured a place at the biggest youth sporting event in the county, the SPAR Lancashire School Games, after navigating their way to success in orienteering.**

The Rufford youngsters competed against nine other schools from across West Lancashire to bag the top spot, and will now go on to represent the district at the games' county finals where they will face teams from 14 other Lancashire districts to be named county champions in orienteering.

Now in its 10th year, the SPAR Lancashire School Games comprises two main events designed to give all children the opportunity to participate in competitive sport.

The Disability Swimming Gala was held last month at Lancaster's Salt Ayre Sports Centre, while the county finals event will be held at Stanley Park, Blackpool on July 5.

In the finals event youngsters will compete to be crowned champions in sports including rounders, tennis, orienteering, handball, gymnastics, athletics and netball, as well as two new sports for 2016, triathlon and tri-golf.

More than 2,400 pupils are expected to take part in the event this summer. Organised by Lancashire Sport Partnership, it is implemented by the county's school games organisers and sponsored by James Hall & Company Ltd, the SPAR distributors for the North of England. It is part of the national £128m school games programme.

Samantha Coogan, teacher at Rufford Primary School, said: "We are very proud of the pupils and are thrilled to be representing West Lancashire in the SPAR Lancashire School Games county finals.

"It's great to have the opportunity to take part in a different activity – the children really enjoyed the orienteering experience."

# *Fundraiser for feathered friends*

***BIRD lovers are invited to go along and support a fundraiser with a difference and learn about a group of popular feathered visitors to West Lancashire.***

***The Parbold branch of the Royal Bank of Scotland will be the venue for the event on Friday, April 15 from 9.15am to 2.15pm when there is a chance to find out about the village's colony of swifts.***

***Organiser, Margaret Abel said: "The birds return each May from Africa to their nests in the roof at the bank. Everyone is invited to come along and find out what the branch has been doing to protect this colony of swifts and try to increase their numbers, as they are in decline.***

***"Tea, coffee and cakes will be on sale, and all the proceeds will be divided between the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and the Parbold Wildlife Group.***

***"Gavin Thomas from the RSPB has given us a lot of guidance and help in producing a fact sheet which will be given to anyone who visits us on the day."***


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There will also be the opportunity for visitors to meet the training team, try out the club's new artificial clay courts and there will be vouchers, refreshments and giveaways at the event, which will run from 11am to 5pm.

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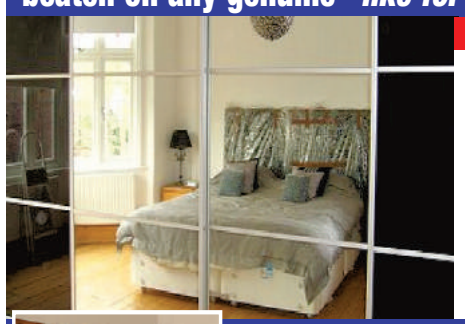

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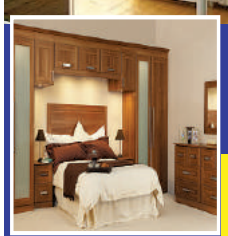

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# Lapsley returns home for Queenscourt gig

**AN IMPRESSIVE £3,000 has been raised for Queenscourt Hospice following a special charity performance by resort singing sensation Holly Lapsley Fletcher.**

The performance at Greenbank, Holly's former high school, saw her sing a collection of songs from her new album Long Way Home, paired with some of her earlier works which helped her shoot to fame.

Lapsley, who studied at Formby High Sixth Form, took time out of her nationwide tour to come back to her home town and put on an intimate acoustic performance as part of Queenscourt's 25th anniversary celebrations.

The hospice has a close link to Holly's family, having helped care for her grandmother in the final weeks of her life in the 1990's.

Hundreds of guests, including a number of Holly's former schoolmates and family, packed out the Greenbank assembly hall to watch her perform – helping to raise at least £3,000 in the process.

However the final total is not yet known with bosses at the hospice still counting donations made throughout the evening.

In an exclusive interview with The Champion's Ollie Cowan, Holly – who had just arrived back in the resort from a whirlwind 24 hours performing in New York – revealed that the gig at her former high school would be one of the most nerve wracking that she has ever done.

Speaking to the Champion prior to her gig, Holly said: "We're here today to celebrate and support an amazing charity.

"Queenscourt Hospice has such a massive impact on the people of Sefton and West Lancashire – my grandmother was there just before I was born and they looked after her.

Lapsley in action during the performance. Photo by Tom Craven

"She was an incredible woman who actually ran the hospital radio station at Southport Hospital before she got ill. She was very theatrical and musical – I never met her but I always wondered where I got my performing side from!

"Greenbank was where I first started to get involved in performing but I was never really a singer. I preferred to do a lot of acting at school but a few years ago I decided to start writing and producing songs which eventually got a lot of attention and here I am now!

"I have to say though I am so nervous! A lot of my friends and family are here tonight and I know everywhere I look I'll see familiar faces! It will definitely be a nervy performance!"

If there were any nerves ahead of the gig, they failed to translate on stage as Lapsley wowed the audience with a number of her songs – including tracks from her debut album Long Way Home.

Dan Astles, a former Birkdale High pupil and friend of Holly's provided the support with a solo performance at the start of the night.

He told our reporter: "I was made up with how the show went.

"When Holly first asked me to perform I couldn't wait as I love her music and to play for such a charity was fantastic."

The concert was held as part of Queenscourt Hospice's 25th anniversary celebrations. They opened the doors to the hospice on Town Lane, Kew, in June 1991 and have cared for thousands of patients from across Southport, Formby and West Lancashire.

Greenbank Headteacher, Ian Raikes, was one of the first to book tickets for the concert.


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# New play will look at life of comedy actress Hattie Jacques

**A NEW one-woman play, based on the life of legendary comedy actress Hattie Jacques, will travel to Aughton village hall in May.**

Becoming Hattie from Proteus Theatre Company will travel to Aughton Village Hall on Thursday, May 5 at 7.30pm.

Tickets for the show, which is suitable for ages 15 and above, are available by contacting 01695 422423.

Becoming Hattie is a one-woman show that takes an affectionate look at the life and career of Hattie Jacques and a witty, caustic look at modern life in show business and its cultural attitudes toward larger women.

It's 1974 and eight-year-old Jo is idly watching the telly when Sykes comes on. There, on the screen, is a woman unlike anyone else – that woman is Hattie Jacques.

Forty years on and Jo has followed in Hattie's footsteps; she too is an actress. But why is she cast as the nurse, never the surgeon? And why is she too fat to play Lady Macbeth..?

The play has been written by Maihri Grealis and stars actress Ashley Christmas. Speaking ahead of the tour, Grealis spoke about her inspiration for writing the show: "I was immediately intrigued by the idea of looking not only at the wonderful Hattie Jacques but what it means to be a woman in the acting industry today.

"If you look at what we see on our TVs, in our cinemas and on our stages, it's clear that there is an issue that needs to be addressed: there are few women of size, playing parts that they should have no barrier to playing.

Ashley Christmas in Becoming Hattie

"I hope that this piece will entertain, above all, but also offer an insight into an issue which, for the sake of us all, we should take a long hard look at."

The West Lancashire date forms part of Spot On Lancashire's spring season of touring, taking professional arts events to rural venues and libraries across the county.

For more information about the show or to see the full Spot On season programme, visit www.spotonlancashire.co.uk, call Sue Robinson on 01254 660360 or email hello@spotonlancashire.co.uk

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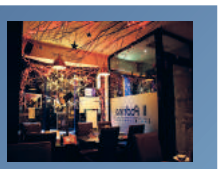
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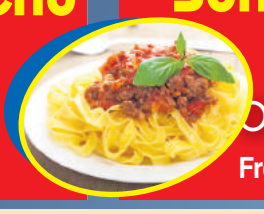
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## DEATHS

### DEEGAN ANDREW
**31st March 2016**

Going to miss you so much my big bro. Until we meet again. Goodnight, God bless. Love Evelynn & family, Natasha, Lewis, Nicola, Neil, James, Nieces and Nephews.
xxx

### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**
**Peacefully at home**

After a long ilness,you put up a fight right til the end.A battle you could not win,you've always treated me like your own daughter and i will always be grateful for that.You have always been there for me and i love you very dearly. It takes a great man to step up and treat Two kids like his own flesh and blood,in life i loved you dearly,in death i love you still.In my heart you hold a place,no one else can fill .It broke my heart to lose you ,but you did not go alone,part of me went with you. The day God called you home.Sleep tight Andy out of all your pain.It is not goodbye but see you later,until we are all together again.Love and miss you forever.
Sharon
xxx

### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**
**At home after much suffering**

What am I going to do, I have lost my Grandad Andy and I am only two. First God took my Grandad Bob, which made me really sad, when Mummy puts me to bed at night I know you will both be watching over me and guiding me as I grow up. I love you both to the moon and back. When you get to the gates of heaven Grandad, my Grandad Bob will meet you there, tell him I love and miss him. I will make you both proud. Sleep tight Grandad Andy hugs and kisses
Dylan Robert Andrew
XX

### DEEGAN ANDREW
**(Dad)**

**31st March 2016**
**Peacefully at home**

Theres a face thats always with us
A voice we would love to hear
A smile we will always remember
Of our Dad we loved so dear.
Missed always.
Paul,Brian and Grandchildren
xxx

### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**

You put up a brave battle to the end.
It is an absolute honour to be your partner, adored by your family and friends from far and near, with wonderful virtues you held very dear. Witty, generous, honest and true, a respected gentleman through and through. Although we are not together we will never be apart because you have that special place right here within my heart.
I loved you yesterday, I love you today, and I will love for all my tomorrows.
So be safe Andy until we meet again, your broken hearted partner Sue.
XXXXX

### DEEGAN ANDREW
**(Andy)**

**31st March 2016**
**At home after much suffering**

What are we going to do without you Andy you have always been there for me and my daughters,i thank you for that.I will remember the good times like me and you dancing in the rain when you lived in Tanhouse and our Spice Girls nights.I will never get them days back,but the memories i will keep in my heart forever. Out of pain now I would not wake you to suffer again. Sleep tight Andy
R.I.P.
Love always Cheryl
xxx

### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**

God gave me a Grandad, one I will never see grow old. He gave me eight years of memories from a heart that was pure gold. He would sit me on his knee and keep me safe and warm, read my favourite story books and cuddle me till dawn. I will treasure our days out, I am sad that you're not with me, but I know you're not too far away because when I go to bed at night I know you're the brightest star.
Love you Grandad
Gracie
XXXXXXXX

### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**

Mummy told me you have gone to heaven Grandad, I don't really understand because Grandad I am only five. You were my funny, silly Grandad. Who's going to play hide and seek, cook our yellow fish, play the hot and cold game and push me high on the swings? Oh Grandad, sleepovers at Nanny's will never be the same. I love you to the moon and back, sleep tight Grandad
Molly
XXXXX

### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**

Deepest sympathy to our Mum Sue and to Andy's Family.

We will never forget you Andy.

We will always remember the good times
R.I.P.

Sharon and Dave, Cheryl and Darren
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### DEEGAN ANDREW (ANDY)
**31st March 2016**
**Peacefully at home**
**Aged 63 years**

Devoted Partner of Sue. Loving Dad of Paul and Brian. Cherished Brother of John and Evelynn. Loving Stepdad of Sharon and Cheryl and a special Grandad to all his grandchildren. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service will take place at St Pauls Church on Friday 8th April at 2,00pm followed by committal at West Lancs Crematorium. The family would appreciate all those attending to wear a token of red. Family flowers only please by request. Donations if desired for Derian House Childrens Hospice. All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale
Funeral Service 29/31 Sandy Lane.
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### DONNELLY GILLIAN
**31st March 2016**

**Passed away peacefully, aged 55 years**

Rest in peace

Will be sadly missed by her Brother Brian, Daughter Laura and her Children's Father Gerry

### DONNELLY GILLIAN
**31st March 2016**

To my Mum,
Rest in peace,
I will never forget you,
I love you so much
and will see you
again someday.
I will never forget
you my beautiful
angel in the sky.

Your loving son
Conor

### DONNELLY GILLIAN ANN
**31st March 2016**

Words cannot express how I feel inside, I have lost my only daughter and a piece of me has died, Sleep peacefully Gill, till we meet again. Your dad will be waiting for you, to take you in his arms again (forever young) God Bless, your broken hearted Mum
xxxx
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### O'BRIEN BRIGID MARY (Mai)
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### BANNISTER RAYMOND
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### HARRISON JONATHAN JAMES
**26th March 2016**
**Aged 10 years**

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### HARRISON JONATHAN JAMES
**30.09.2005 - 26.03.2016**

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Dearest Jonny,
you brought such love, joy and sunshine into our lives, you will be forever in our thoughts.

A little light has been extinguished but a new star will burn brightly forever.

### HARRISON JONATHAN JAMES

No words can express how we feel.
In time our hearts will heal,
until we meet again
Jonny
Good night and God Bless
love
Auntie Lynn,
Uncle James
& Ian

### HARRISON JONATHAN JAMES

I will not cry because you have gone.
I will smile because you were here.

Rest In peace my angel.

Nana Bren

### FORSHAW MARY ANGELA
**1st April 2016**
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**Aged 83 years**

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**BERNIE**

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**6th April 2013**

I think of you
with love each day,
things you used
to do and say,
they bring a smile,
they bring a tear,
a constant wish
that you were here.

Loved always, Jude
xxxx

## COMING OF AGE

**ALISHA JADE BRIMAGE**

**21st Birthday**

**11th April 2016**

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**CO-OPERATIVE AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT SOCIETIES ACT 2014**
**Notice of Cancellation pursuant to section 5 of the Act**

Notice is hereby given that the Authority has pursuant to the above mentioned section this day cancelled the registration of **The Litherland Priory Limited** (Register No. **32423R**) the registered office of which is at **The Property Shop 152 Linacre Road Litherland Liverpool L21 8JU** at its request.

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**THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**(WEST LANCASHIRE SPRING TRIATHLON EVENT, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle (with the exception of event support vehicles),from proceeding over the following lengths of road, in the Borough of West Lancashire.

i. Ruff Lane from a point 5 metres North West of its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with Whiteleys Lane;
ii. Whiteleys Lane from its junction with Ruff Lane to its junction with A577 Wigan Road
iii. Scarth Hill Lane from its junction with Ruff Lane to its junction with A570 St Helens Road

An alternative routes for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via: - A570 Knowsley Road – A577 Wigan Road – A577 Crosshall Brow – A577 Wigan Road and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable the West Lancashire Spring Triathlon 2015 event to take place.

The prohibition will be operative from 0730 hours until 1200 hours on Sunday 10th April 2016, or until completion of the event if sooner.

Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/8/16/2357/ARH]

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**(LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**(NEW LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) (No.2) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of New Lane Burscough for a distance of 20 metres either side of the New Lane Level Crossing.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 2300 hours on Saturday 16th April 2016 until 0800 hours on Sunday 17th April 2016, and from 2300 hours on Saturday 23rd April 2016 until 0800 hours on Sunday 24th April 2016 or until completion of the works within this period
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Marsh Moss Lane – Tarlscough Lane – Red Cat Lane – A59 Liverpool Road North – A59 Liverpool Road South – B5242 Pippin Street.- Tollgate Road – Ringtail Road – Langley Road – New Lane and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow essential level crossing maintenance works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services
0300 123 6701
[Ref: HRiT/16/08/2279/ARH]

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**LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**(HALL LANE, LATHOM, WEST LANCASHIRE)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Hall Lane, Lathom from its junction with Briars Lane to its junction with Spa Lane, in the Borough of West Lancashire.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Wednesday 6th April 2016 until 1700 hours on Tuesday 12th April 2016 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- A5209 Briars Lane, Lathom – A5209 Square Lane, Burscough – A59 Liverpool Road South, Burscough – A59 High Lane, Ormskirk – B5319 Burscough Road, Ormskirk – A570 Derby Street, Ormskirk – A570 Stanley Street, Ormskirk – A577 Wigan Road, Ormskirk – A577 Crosshall Brow, Ormskirk – A577 Wigan Road, Ormskirk – B5240 Plough Lane, Lathom.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway patching works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Laura Padden, Highway Regulation and Inspection Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701
[Ref: HRiT/1879/WH]

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**West Lancashire Borough Council**
**Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town ard Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15**

**APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

Application No: 2016/0315/FUL Single storey front extension, two storey side extension and revision and reconfiguration of access and parking arrangements at Sons Of Divine Providence, Cardinal Heenan House, School Lane, Roby Mill, Up Holland.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.

Application No: 2016/0335/FUL Variation of condition no's, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 20 imposed on planning permission 2015/0344/FUL in accordance with the details provided in the supporting letter received on the 24th March 2016. Removal of condition no. 23 imposed on planning permission 2015/0344/FUL as the retail units are substantially complete at Land North Of Junction With Pippin Street, Liverpool Road South, Burscough.

**APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING**

Application No: 2016/0283/FUL Single storey rear extension at 4 Hants Lane, Ormskirk.

Application No: 2016/0306/FUL Demolition of existing garage and utility. New two storey side extension and single storey rear garden room at Knights Barn, Roby Mill, Up Holland.

The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 6th April 2016
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT892

**LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
(VARIOUS ROADS, BICKERSTAFFE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2016

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over the following lengths of highway in the borough of West Lancashire.
i. Outlet Lane, Bickerstaffe from a point outside "Outlet Farm" to a point outside the property known as "Denver"
ii. Hall Lane, at its junction with Hurst Lane
iii. Back Lane, at its junction with New Way
iv. New Way, from its junction with Voce's Lane to its junction with Back Lane
2. The prohibition will be operative between 0900 hours and 1700 hours on the following dates
i. From Monday 4th April 2016 until Friday 15th April 2016
ii. From Friday 22nd April 2016 until Friday 29th April2016
iii. From Tuesday 3rd May 2016 until Friday 6th May 2016
iv. From Monday 9th May 2016 until Friday 20th May 2016
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closures will be signed locally.

The temporary prohibitions are necessary to allow new water main works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/16/08/2361/ARH]

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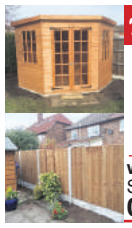

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But now I’ve managed to pull back into the Real Life Top Trumps lead, and it’s all thanks to the cheapest new car you can buy with upwards of 500bhp.

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Mash your right foot to the floor and there’s a whine from the supercharger as this preposterously ample family saloon gets lugged towards the horizon so quickly it feels like it’s been tied to one end of an enormous elastic band. For a split second its sheer get-up-and-go is intoxicating – and then you have to rein it in instantly for fear of propelling yourself into the nearest village at three-figure speeds.

It’s got the same one-track charm as the old VXR8 – only everything happens so much more urgently. If you want a go-faster Vauxhall then the clever money’s really got to be on the Insignia VXR, which might not have anything like the power but thanks to its slicker tech, smaller size and four-wheel-drive is by far the better ground coverer.

The VXR8 is the one I’d take for winning Real Life Top Trumps – but it’s the Insignia VXR that really wins you over.

# New off-roader on sale next month

SEAT has announced that its new small off-roader will be available to order from next month, with prices starting at £17,990.

The Ateca will be available with five trim levels and the option of two different petrol engines and a trio of turbodiesel units.

The new contender’s being pitched as a cheaper alternative to Nissan’s Qashqai and Ford’s Kuga, with the first cars arriving in September.

**SEAT is aiming the Ateca at Nissan Qashqai and Ford Kuga buyers**

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| 2007 (07) | **NISSAN NOTE 1.4 SE 5DR,** in café latte, with A/C, e/pack, alloys, CD etc, 1 owner from new, FSH, only 59,000 miles | £3,995 |

# *Volkswagon has given the iconic Beetle a re-style*

VOLKSWAGEN has treated the Beetle to some chunky styling reminiscent of the off-road racers popular with Americans in the late 1960s.

The Beetle Dune is available both as a hatchback and as a convertible, with prices starting at £21,300.

It’ll be available in both petrol and diesel form, with the first cars landing here in June.

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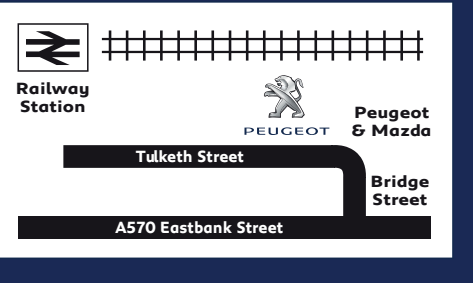

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# Victory denied by late goal

**Skelmersdale United 3**
**Barwell 3**

JUST as it looked like Skelmersdale United were on course for all three points, victory was agonisingly snatched away in the fifth minute of added time.

The game itself was a thriller.

Skelmersdale started well, but on their first really viable attack Barwell struck.

A swirling ball to the far post went out for a corner, the kick from the right was driven low into the six yard box and Richard Lavery was allowed the room to score from close range.

Skelmersdale levelled on 33 minutes. The ball was swept right to left wing and Ian Rowlands went to head it into the goal-mouth, but Barwell defender Joe Ballinger stuck his hand behind it and a penalty was given. Up stepped Skelmersdale's top scorer Chris Almond and he beat Barwell goalkeeper Liam Castle.

Five minutes into the second-half. Almond slipped the ball down the inside-left channel to Hazeldine, Castle parried his shot, but the ball went back to Hazeldine, just as he set himself to shoot again, Ballinger tripped him and a penalty was an inevitable follow-up. This time Almond sent Castle the opposite way from the spot.

On 77 minutes Barwell got a goal, Trey Braithwaite pushed the ball through the Skem defence; Nathan Edgington got on the end of it then directed a low shot into the Skelmersdale net.

Two minutes later Hazeldine received the ball just inside the Barwell half and set off on a run, after fending off one challenge he put a powerful effort just inside Castle's near-post to restore the Skelmersdale lead.

It was no surprise that Barwell pushed to salvage the game and their two best efforts were fended away first by Phil Mooney then by Bailey off the line.

With the whistle expected any second Julian lobbed one last desperate effort into the Skelmersdale area, substitute Ryan Boothe judged the bounce well, turned and guided the ball into the net from six yards out.

# Tricky double header in the North East awaits

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

SKELMDERSADLE United face a daunting week as they play the league's top two teams away from home in back to back fixtures.

But there are reasons why manager Tommy Lawson can justifiably be at least optimistic that Skelmersdale can have their say in the destination of the league title.

The two games in question are a trip up to Northumberland to table-toppers Blyth Spartans at their own Croft Park this Saturday.

Next Tuesday Skelmersdale travel up to second-placed County Durham to play Darlington 1883.

So why should Tommy Lawson be so positive about the trips up to the North-East?

Skelmersdale have already picked up four points courtesy of games against the Evo-Stik's top two clubs.

Back in November Skelmersdale beat Blyth 2-1 at Stormy Corner thanks to goals from Tony Rendell and Ged Kinsella and in the end it was a thoroughly deserved victory. When Darlington came down to Stormy Corner in September the result was 1-1, Darlington only rescuing a point with a goal from Graeme Armstrong in added time, after Alan Burton had given Skelmersdale the lead.

Skem also have a good record against the top sides this season, beating promotion chasers Workington and Salford City this season, and they will be looking to add to that this week.

Meanwhile, the club is looking to employ a new commercial manager. The position is a permanent paid position, and the person employed will be tasked with developing the club within the local community and raising money from mainly businesses in Skelmersdale, but not entirely.

A club spokersperson said: "The age range for the job is completely open and the hours are completely flexible, it would suit someone who has experience dealing with companies in a previous job, but that is not a fixed criteria. Anybody who considers that they could promote Skelmersdale United around the area will be considered and they should contact or send a CV to sufc1882@yahoo.com"

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Burscough in action against Clitheroe

# Linnets hit rivals for six - in 35 minutes!

**Burscough 6**
**Clitheroe 1**

BURSCOUGH leapfrogged play-off chasing rivals Clitheroe and into the top five of the table after an amazing victory.

The Linnets made an incredible start to the match scoring six goals in the opening 35 minutes.

The Linnets opened the scoring after only ten minutes though Mick Ryan and soon doubled the lead thanks to a strike from Paul Williams.

Michael Monaghan then scored a quick fire brace to make it 4-0 before Elliot Newby added to the growing tally.

Monaghan then claimed his hat-trick to cap off a stunning first half performance from the Linnets who went into the break 6-0 up.

The second half was always going to see the home side ease off the pressure and Clitheroe, with nothing to play for except their pride, came back into the game.

After creating a number of chances, they grabbed a consolation goal in the second half to make the score 6-1.

Burscough are now ahead of their rivals by one point with only five games remaining in what promises to be an exciting end of the season.

Last Saturday's match at Radcliffe Boroiugh was posponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

Burscough are at home to mid-table Mossley this Saturday at 3pm.

The Linnets on the attack in an incredible first half in which they scored six goals.



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